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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

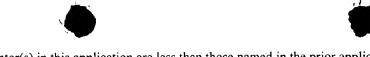
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Washi	ngton, D	C 20231					
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.	This is	s a request for filing a co	entinuation application under	37 CFR § 1.53(b) of Serial No. 08/9	977 171, filed on		
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Hull Na	me	Family Name	First Given Name	Second Given Name			
Of Inve	ntor	CATCHESIDE	DAVID	E.			
Residen		City	State or Foreign Country	Country of Citizenship			
& Citiz		BELLEVUE HEIGHTS	SOUTH AUSTRALIA	AUSTRALIA	· 		
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The state of the s		Enclosed is a copy of the prior application; including the specification, claims, drawings, oath or declaration showing the applicant's signature, and any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application. (It is noted that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.) The continuing application is as follows: 53 pages of specification, 12 claims, 1 pages of abstract, 19 sheets of drawings, and 4 pages of oath or declaration.					
۳	\boxtimes	The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considere as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.					
2.		Cancel original claims of this application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)					
3.	\boxtimes	The filing fee is calcu	ılated below:				



CLAIMS AS FILED

NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS:	-20	107	x	\$18.00	\$1,926.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS					
8	-3	5	x	\$80.00	\$400.00
				BASIC FILING FEE:	- \$710.00
				TOTAL FILING FEE:	\$3,036.00
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		Small entity status is claimed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27.						
4.		Payment of fees:						
5 .	\boxtimes	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.16 to 1.18 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-2725.						
. 6.	\boxtimes	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:						
		"This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/977,171, filed November 24, 1997, which application(s) are incorporated herein by reference."						
7. •	\boxtimes	A set of formal drawings (23 sheets) is enclosed.						
=\ 8.		Priority of application Serial No., filed on in, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.						
		The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No., filed.						
9 .	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned of record to Flinders Technologies Pty Ltd. of Flinders University located at South Australia, Australia.						
- 10.	\boxtimes	The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:						
		Merchant & Gould P.C. Minneapolis, MN 55402-2215						
11.		A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)						
	\boxtimes	Fee for excess claims is attached.						
12.		A petition and fee has been filed to extend the term in the prior application until. A copy of the petition for extension of time in the prior application is attached.						



13.		following inventors identified above for the prior application be deleted:			
14.		A Nonpublication Request under 37 CFR 1.213(a) is enclosed.			
15.		Also Enclosed:			
16.	\boxtimes	Address all future communications to the Attention of Mark T. Skoog (may only be completed by attorney or agent of record) at the address below.			
17. ⁻		A return postcard is enclosed.			

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: Dec 29, 2000

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